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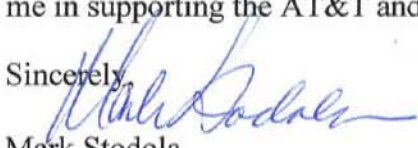
Dear Chairman Genachowski and Commissioners:

As mayor of Little Rock, I know the proposed merger of AT&T and T-Mobile USA provides great economic opportunities for cities across the country. Eliminating the obstacles to job growth and enhancing economic opportunities is a top priority for my administration and our local business community.

Little Rock is not only Arkansas' capital and largest city, it is also home to many small businesses and a number of major corporations' headquarters. As our companies compete on a globalized economy, cutting-edge technology and wireless Internet are necessary for economic development. The AT&T and T-Mobile USA merger will help provide the next-generation wireless infrastructure, making job growth possible in Little Rock and throughout the country.

Chairman Genachowski, you have previously stated that, "Few things have greater potential to unleash the ingenuity of America's small-business owners than driving world-leading broadband deployment and adoption." Analysts and experts have also echoed this sentiment and I believe now is the time to act. Now is the time to support business transactions such as this that will spur the innovation and job expansion of tomorrow. In these times of economic uncertainty we must have bold leadership and a strategy in place to allow American enterprise to flourish. Creating the necessary broadband framework is the initial challenge, and the joining of these companies will accelerate this process and can make job growth a reality. The people of Little Rock recognize the importance of broadband technology and this is why I ask you to join with me in supporting the AT&T and T-Mobile USA merger.

Sincerely,


Mark Stodola
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CC: Chairman Julius Genachowski
Commissioner Michael Copps
Commissioner Robert McDowell
Commissioner Mignon Clyburn
Commissioner Meredith Attwell Baker